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21. A pharmaceutical composition for treating viral infections in a mammal, comprising a substance identified by the method of claim 5, and a pharmaceutically acceptable non-toxic vehicle.

REMARKS

Claims 3, 4, 6-8, and 13-16 have been amended and Claim 9 has been canceled according to conventional practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Claims 17-21 have been added. Support for the added claims can be found in the original claims 6-15.

As a result of the amendments made herein claims 1-8 and 10-21 are presented for examination. Should there be any questions concerning the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number appearing below.

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